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SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT: RAILROAD WORKING GROUP

1. DOT WISHES INFORM EMBASSY FOLLOWING EXCHANGE OF TELEGRAMS.

2. QUOTE TO DOT, RAMUNDO FROM MALASHKO, MINRAIL, JULY 19, 1974. I WOULD LIKE TO ADVISE YOU THAT IT GAVE US GREAT PLEASURE RECENTLY TO RECEIVE THE U.S. TRACK DELEGATION OF HIGHLY QUALIFIED RAILROAD SPECIALISTS AND TO ACQUAINT THEM WITH TRACK MAINTENANCE PRACTICES ON THE SOVIET RAILROADS. AT THE SAME TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO ADVISE YOU I WILL BE A MEMBER OF THE SOVIET RAILROAD DELEGATION WHICH WILL VISIT THE U.S.A. THE LATTER PART OF OCTOBER 1974. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL OF THE SECOND WORKING GROUP SESSION, DATED JULY 11, 1974, WE ARE ADVISING YOU THAT THE FOLLOWING ARE THE PRIORITY INTERESTS OF OUR DELEGATION: (1) CONSTRUCTION OF MODERN RAIL STRUCTURES; (2) MEASURES TO REDUCE TRACK WEAR CAUSED BY HEAVILY LOADED ROLLING STOCK; (3) TRACK MEASURING AND DEFECTOSCOPE DEVICES TO CHECK TRACK CONDITIONS; (4) USE OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY IN THE ANALYSIS AND APPRAISAL OF TRACK CONDITIONS AND FOR THE PLANNING OF MAINTENANCE; (5) MACHINES AND MECHANISMS USED FOR TRACK MAINTENANCE; (6) REFITTING (RETURN TO UNCLASSIFIED

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SERVICE) OF USED RAILS; (7) LABOR SAFETY TECHNIQUES AND DEVICES

OR ROAD GANGS INVOLVED IN TRACK MAINTENANCE. UNQTE.

3. QTE TO MALASHKO FROM RAMUNDO, JULY 25, 1974. THANK YOU FOR
YOUR TELEX OF JULY 19. WE HAVE TAKEN NOTE OF THE PRIORITY
INTERESTS OF YOUR DELEGATION AND WILL ARRANGE THE VISIT ACCORDINGLY.
I AM PERSONALLY DELIGHTED THAT YOU WILL ACCOMPANY THE DELEGATION.
UNQTE. INGERSOLL

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